

WHAT NANOTYPE ARE YOU?

Answer the questions in this Nanoprofiler and find out to which nanotype you belong

1 When somebody asks you to drink a new beverage with a special ingredient that would revitalize your body, what do you do?



I'd try it. It might be a good aid to my fitness.

A



I'd first find out what the ingredients are.

B



I'd go for it. It could be a trendsetter.

C



No way. Looks like the latest marketing trick of the beverage industry.

D



No thanks. Better safe than sorry.

E

2 What is your mobile phone to you?



I'm always looking for the latest model.

A



My old phone still works perfectly fine.

B



A key communication instrument that has to meet my standards.

C



We cannot do without it, but it should be produced sustainably.

D



It signifies the amazing progress in telecommunications.

E

3 What is nature to you?



A fragile system that deserves our respect and protection.

A



A fascinating coincidence of causes and effects.

B



A heap of mud and bugs.

C



A splendid storage of natural resources.

D



An awesome force that can make or break us.

E

4 What would be a typical discussion topic for your circle of friends?



The next target in my job or education.

A



Future applications for virtual reality.

B



The political situation in Europe.

C



Gossip about friends and family.

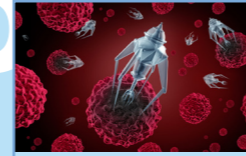
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Latest clothing and music purchases.

E

5 What do you think when you hear the term nanotechnology?



Interesting! I'd like to find out more.

A



Cool. What does it do?

B



Sounds ominous. Do we really need more technology?

C



Could be useful, but who is in control?

D



Go for it. More technology means more business and more growth.

E

6 What do you think when you hear the term nanotechnology?



I'd realize a new business concept.

A



I'd engage in urban agriculture activities.

B



I'd travel through the world.

C



I'd explore new opportunities through voluntary schemes or internships.

D



I'd slow down, and finally have some time for family and friends.

E

Count all your points and ask the person who's sitting across from you to tell you which nano type you are.

1 A=1, B=3, C=2, D=5, E=4

3 A=5, B=3, C=2, D=1, E=4

5 A=3, B=2, C=5, D=4, E=1

TOTAL

2 A=2, B=4, C=1, D=5, E=3

4 A=3, B=1, C=5, D=4, E=2

6 A=1, B=4, C=3, D=2, E=5

Your scientist type is Bill Joy, former Chief Scientist at Sun Microsystems, who argued that emerging technologies provide a much greater danger to humanity, than any technology ever before it has presented. Nanotechnologies present serious questions: how will they impact the environment? To what extent will they affect our daily lives? Rather than the promises of nanotechnologies, your concern is with the potential risks and what citizens and governments can do to control them. (www.seeingnano.eu)

26-30 Nano Sceptic

Your scientist type is K. Eric Drexler, who popularized the term nanotechnology. Drexler introduced the 'grey goo scenario' that describes what would happen if hypothetical self-replicating machines were constructed and released. You know how the world works, and the truth is: one man's gain is another man's loss. Nature can heal, but it can also destroy. And technology serves the good as much as it serves the bad. You recognize that nanotechnology might be useful if it helps cure disease and you will be interested in the current development of nano applications for cancer or Alzheimer's disease. But who is making sure that things don't run amok? (www.seeingnano.eu)

21-25 Nano Cautious

Your scientist type is Richard Feynman, an American physicist and Nobel laureate, who is widely believed to have provided inspiration for the field of nanotechnology in his 1959 lecture: "There's Plenty of Room at the Bottom". You are intrigued by the world and everything in it. Nanoscience and -technology could be a way to find out more about the fundamental laws of nature. Did you know that when you look, particles at the nanoscale have different properties? (www.seeingnano.eu)

16-20 Nano Curious

Your scientist type is Amanda S. Barnard, a theoretical physicist working in predicting the real world behavior of nanoparticles. The nanoworld is your oyster. To you, nanotechnology is just the next step to get connected. If it gets you a better online experience at a lower cost, what could be wrong with it? But communication technology is just the tip of the iceberg. Below, there is the ocean wide potential for nano science. Scientists have just begun to discover some of the infinite possibilities to manipulate matter by changing the array of atoms at the nanoscale. Want to know how it works? Then have a look at the various tools that are available. (www.seeingnano.eu)

11-15 Nano Native

Your scientist type is Richard Smalley, a Nobel laureate in Chemistry and leading advocate of nanotechnology. Life is like a camera to you: you focus on what's important, capture the good times, develop from the negatives, and if things don't turn out, you take another shot. You like nanotechnology as a source of new products or businesses that make your life more productive and efficient. Unfortunately, nanotechnology does not allow you to replicate yourself and be at that board meeting and go skydiving at the same time - not yet, anyway. (www.seeingnano.eu)

6-10 Nano Supporter